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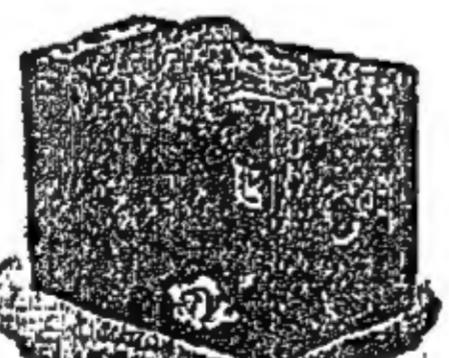
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HONGKONG, 24TH AUGUST, 1904.

The palatial new headquarters of the Yokohama Specie Bank (*Shokin Ginko*) have taken five years and four months to complete. The building was finished last month, and people at home, indifferently informed of things Japanese, would be amazed by an inspection of this bank, which undoubtedly embraces the best features of modern bank buildings of the most advanced type. In addition to seeing the building as it approached completion, we have now been favoured with a book of excellent photographs showing the internal arrangements. The enormous expense of these finest bank premises in the Orient (for such they must be) is justified by "the steady expansion and augmentation of its business operations." Opened for business in February, 1880, the Yokohama Specie Bank has been conducted specially in view of its position as an organ of Japan's foreign trade, paying particular attention to foreign exchange, and acting frequently, under official orders, in the management of the foreign financial operations of the Imperial Government. In 1887, its capital of three million yen was doubled; and in 1896, after sixteen years of business, another multiplication by two made the capital twelve millions. The story smacks of the well-known horse-shoe-nail calculations; but sober history is incomplete if a subsequent increase, in 1899, is not recorded. On that occasion, a third issue of 120,000 shares doubled the capital for the third time, making it twenty-four million yen. Half of that last issue has been called up. Of the total 240,000 shares, 60,400 are owned by the Japanese Imperial Household. The Reserve Fund stands at Y. 9,320,000.

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TO-MORROW the Chinese fourteen-day rites in honour of the otherwise unhonoured dead come to an end. Part of an article in a contemporary, describing the "festival" as it appears at Shanghai, where its observance is more noticeable than in this Colony, we reprint in another column. In some succeeding comments, the writer of that article betrays a rather unflattering opinion of the sincerity of the bonzes who toter the ancient custom. He computes the annual expenditure of the Shanghai Chinese, for placating the manes of the departed who lack posterity, to be over \$60,000, and suggests that Buddhist priests, from motives of self interest, "tell their believers and 'votaries that these wandering spirits are capable of doing immense harm to people who are in health, if not assisted in getting into Hades, where in proportion to the weight of sins committed in life a spirit has to wait for long or for short periods 'till it turns in passing the turnstile, or 'Wheel of Life, and so transmigrates once more into the life of the Upper World.' It does not seem quite fair to libel the Chinese as peculiarly foolish in such belief.

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The *Shun-pao* states that it is reported from Chefoo that the Russian Consul there has already begun building one-storey houses as well as huts near his place, which the Chinese workmen there declare are to house Russian sailors or other refugees who may escape to Chefoo from Port Arthur.

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THE FESTIVAL FOR THE DEAD.

This festival, beginning on the 1st day of the 7th moon (falling this year on the 11th of August) and continuing to the 15th day (25th inst.), is being now celebrated by the Buddhist devotees of Shanghai with the chanting of special prayers for all wandering spirits by bonzes, engaged by the hundred by public subscription, in large temples and improvised sheds. These prayers are for the spirits of people who have died here on land, who have no relatives or descendants to "buy" their way into Hades, and who have therefore to wander restlessly about "with no place to harbour themselves from the cruel weather." These Buddhist prayers serve wandering spirits in the capacity of "certificates of respectability" to ensure their admittance within the gates of the thick-walled city of "Fengtu" (the Chinese Hades), and in due time after the bonzes have completed their fortnight-long prayers for the dead, a great bonfire will be lighted to burn the paper clothes and silver paper syces and imitation Mexican dollars for the use of these wandering spirits, the first to clothe them in a decent manner before they enter Fengtu, and the paper money to enable them to bribe the gate-keepers of Hades into letting them in and to pay the police runners of King Pluto (Yenlo Wang)—there are ten of these Kings, before each of whom tribunals every spirit must appear in succession, to give an account of the life he had spent when in the Upper World, or "Yang Chien"). For the spirits of those who lost their lives in the Huangpu River and adjacent creeks, boats are hired carrying Buddhist bonzes chanting the special prayers for the occasion, which cruise up and down the various waterways in this neighbourhood, and at night these boats are brilliantly decorated with lighted lanterns, "to attract the attention of the spirits," while every now and then sacrificial foods are thrown into the water to appease the hunger of these wandering water spirits. In due course of time—at the end of the 15th day of this 7th moon—all the paper clothes and money which have been obtained for the purpose from subscribers are also burst at the head of each boat-freighted boat and the ashes scattered on the face of the waters, to enable these wandering water spirits to obtain the clothes and money they need to gain admittance, like their comrades who died on land, within the gates of Hades.—*N.C. Daily News.*

THE RELEASE OF THE "HSIPIING."

The *Azadi* publishes the decision of the Sasho Press Court in the case of the Taiping Colliery Company's steamer *Hsiiping*, which was recently captured off Shanghai and released.

The Court gave the following facts and reasons for the judgment:—"The steamer *Hsiiping* in this case is owned by a British firm, the Kai-ping Mining Company, Limited, whose head office is at Tientsin. The steamer is a merchant vessel registered at Shanghai, and engaged in the traffic of passengers and cargo under the British flag. She left Shanghai on July 11th, 1904, with a cargo of lead, iron, silver currency, provisions, and liquors, in addition to the goods enumerated in the annexed list, for Newchwang, territory then in Russian occupation, via Kiangwan, China.

At 8 o'clock on the morning of July 14th, during this voyage, the steamer was seized by the Japanese war-ship *Hongkong-maru* on the high seas, about six miles and a half north of Kaiming Island off the Shantung Promontory, China, on the ground that she carried contraband of war. These facts are manifest from the statements of Inouye Toshio, commanding officer of the *Hongkong-maru*, the report of Sub-Lieutenant Kamura Yasumasa, who boarded and searched the steamer *Hsiiping*, the minutes of the examination of R. McLaren, master, E. B. Hayes, chief mate, and Ho Mei-sen and Go E-me, Chinese compradores of the steamer, and also from the certificate of registry, bills of lading, and the manifest of cargo. In considering the case, the Court finds that the place where the steamer was captured by the *Hongkong* was on the high seas, being about six miles and a half north of Kaiming Island off the Shantung Promontory, China, and that the action of the commanding officer of the *Hongkong-maru*, who seized the steamer, together with the cargo, is lawful, considering that the cargo was intended to be supplied to the Russian Army and Navy—that is to say, it was contraband of war, since the most part of the cargo consisted of lead, iron, silver currency, rice, flour, wines, timber, &c., destined for Newchwang, territory in Russian occupation. Since none of the goods to be considered contraband of war, however, belong to the Kai-ping Mining Company, the owners of the steamer, and there being no evidence to conclude that the steamer shipped the contraband of war by fraudulent means, it is proper to release the steamer. The goods enumerated in the annexed list, part of the cargo, which cannot be regarded as contraband of war in their nature and do not belong to the owner of the goods considered contraband of war, are also released."

The judgment is dated the 7th inst.

The goods released consist of woollen cloth, samples of merchandise, English white shirts, black cotton calico, grey Bombay yarn, green tea, sundry goods, wheels, white cotton yarn, and gypsum.

The Patentees, Macniven & Cameron, Limited, deserve A NATIONAL MEMORIAL for their excellent inventions.—*Dover Chronicle.*
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FRONTIER NOTES.

[FROM A CORRESPONDENT]
22nd August.

SNIPE.
Snipe have made their appearance within the last few days. The birds are pretty tame and seem to be in good condition. The fields are in good trim, and on the 1st there ought to be some good sport.

KILLED IN THE FIELD.
On the 19th instant a man named Liu Kui, a farmer, was struck by lightning and instantly killed while at work in the rice field near Shek Hu U. in the New Territory. With Liu Kui at the time of the occurrence were two other men surnamed Liu, one of whom received a violent shock and was thrown to the ground and rendered unconscious for a time. A curious thing about the case is the fact that deceased's father was also killed by lightning ten years ago.

AGRICULTURE.

The second rice-crop is now well under way and looks thriving. Paddy is comparatively cheap this year, the price in Samchun being from \$2.20 to \$2.30 per picul, compared with the price of \$3 at the same time last year. Sugar-cane and peanuts look promising, and altogether the farmers may look forward to a very satisfactory year.

CROWN RENT.

The Government is certainly adopting a firmer attitude towards Crown rent debtors in the New Territory. The Police are kept busy with distress warrants which have in many instances been used for the seizure of cattle and fields. These distress warrants have proved a surprise packet for those debtors who previously could afford to laugh at a too benevolent Government. The Chinese in the New Territory have been too prone to treat the Government and its officials with contempt and to be silent in their speech and manners—especially those of the better class. In the larger villages, Europeans on making their appearances are assailed with cries from hordes of children of "Foreign devil," etc., etc., which plainly shows that the children are brought up by their parents in the provident contemptuous spirit, a spirit which should be checked by the Police, if necessary.

CHINESE TERRITORY.

On the Chinese side of the Frontier things are pretty quiet. Robberies are not infrequent, but not epidemic. As the Chinese New Year approaches they will increase in number.

Trade is brisk in Samchun, Shantung and Pokhui, and there is very little distress among the common people.

CANTON NOTES.

[FROM THE "CHUNG NGAI SAN PO."]

FATAL FLOODS.

Rain fell in torrents, accompanied by thunder and lightning, on the 10th instant in Shin-Hing district. It continued to fall heavily from early dawn till dark. The river rose from seven feet to fourteen feet above the level. People had to go about in boats and many took shelter on the roofs. A good number of huts and small houses were destroyed. The dykes, the rice fields and the fish ponds were more or less damaged. Part of the Wong-Man-Kong mountain was washed away to the extent of about three thousand feet.

Seven persons were drowned. The local gentry have sent a petition to the high authorities asking permission to exempt the payment of the land tax this year.

ROBBERS.

Notwithstanding the smartness and strictness of Viceroy Shum, who spared no pains to dismiss all the officers who were reported to be incapable and negligent of duty, the number of cases of robbery is in no way diminished in the surrounding districts. In fact the robbers are getting more rapacious than ever. Several days ago a gang of over two hundred robbers made an attack on the place named Sam-Shan of Ping Chan in Nanchai district in broad daylight without opposition. Every house and shop was completely ransacked, and booty amounting to a large sum was carried away. Another case of daring robbery occurred in broad daylight on the 14th instant in the city of Wai-Chow. There were over two hundred robbers implicated. Three banks and two shops were ransacked. One constable was fatally shot and eight were wounded.

THE BOAT TAX.

After the boat-strike the boat people, fearing that some other means will be employed to collect revenue from them are now trying to form themselves into a company as a safeguard. They are now drafting the regulations of the company and inviting members, who have to pay a certain sum monthly for the expenses of the union. In case of trouble they will help each other. They will admit no members who have been employed in the official guard-boats.

A CLAN FIGHT.

A big clan fight broke out between the villages of Kiu Fo and Cheung Chuen in Pun-u district. All the villagers were well armed and some big guns were used. About fifty persons of the Cheung-Chuen village, and about thirty of the Kiu Fo village, were killed. The Magistrate of Pun-u has proceeded to these villages and ordered the local gentry to surrender the chief offenders of each village.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 23rd at 11.16 a.m. orders were given to hoist the red S. Cone and red drum.

On the 23rd at 11.20 a.m. The barometer has risen in the Philippines and in S. Formosa and has fallen in China.

The typhoon is situated off the N.W. coast of Luzon and is moving westward.

Fresh N.E. winds will prevail in the Formosa Channel and fresh to strong N.W. winds in the northern part of the China Sea.

Forecast.—Fresh to strong E. to N.E. winds, fair.

SUPREME COURT.

Tuesday, 23rd August.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR T. SERCOMBE SMITH
(PRESIDENT JUDGE.)

A CHINESE LILAC ACTION.

Further evidence for the plaintiff was led in the case in which Chan Lai Ng, trader, 96, Connaught Road West, sued Chan Pe Sun, trader, 274, Des Voeux Road, for \$1,000 damages for alleged libel. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C. (instructed by Mr. Looker of Messrs. Deacon, Looker and Deacon, solicitors), appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. J. Hastings, solicitor, for the defendant.

The hearing was adjourned until to-morrow (Thursday).

POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, 23rd August.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).

ASSAULT.

The steward of the s.s. *Touraine* charged a deck-hand with assaulting him in the saloon. The defendant was convicted and fined \$15 or seven days' imprisonment.

HAWKING IN THE MARKET.

Mr. C. W. Brett charged a man and a woman with hawking vegetables in Hunghom Market. The man was fined \$15; and the woman, having a previous conviction, \$25.

ABOUT A FIG.

A man was charged on remand with larceny of a pig from Wongneihoong Village. In the first instance the defendant admitted the charge, but now pleaded innocent. He said, however, that he knew the man who stole the pig.

Mr. Gompertz: How?

Defendant: Because I went with him.

Six weeks' imprisonment and six hours' stocks.

TRICK OF THE TRADE.

A man was charged with larceny of silver ware, valued at \$20, from Mr. Razaret, of No. 5, Ripon Terrace. When arrested he said that they knew the houses in Ripon Terrace were watched by the police at night, so the larceny was committed at tiffin time. He added, however, that he had not stolen the things himself, but a friend had done so; he was going to pawn them.

Six months' imprisonment and six hours' stocks.

THE TRAMS.

A man charged with jumping off a tram while in motion was fined \$25.

The case of two Portuguese boys came up on remand. They refused to pay 1st-class fare, wanting to travel 3rd-class. All others than Chinese are only allowed to travel 1st-class. The case was further remanded.

BRINGING WOMEN TO THE COLONY.

A man was charged with bringing two women into the Colony for improper purposes. Mr. J. Hayes, solicitor, appeared for the defence. The defendant was convicted and sentenced to one year's imprisonment.

BEFORE MR. J. H. KNAPP (SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

ASSAULTING A POLICEMAN.

A European charged with disorderly conduct and assaulting a *tukong* was convicted on the latter count and fined \$20, besides being ordered to pay \$5 compensation.

ALLEGED PERJURY.

Seven men of the launch *Kong Soo* were charged on remand with perjury. The case was further remanded.

HOW RUSSIANS TREAT CHINESE IN MANCHURIA.

On the 2nd of August Majors Chang Kuoching and Chao Fu-hui, commanding two squadrons of the Tartar-General Tseng Chi's mounted police, left Mukden with their two squadrons for a place called Huangshantze, in hilly country some miles east of Mukden. They intended to capture bandits, having heard that a body of them had been seen in that vicinity.

Instead of meeting mounted bandits the police-men were surrounded by a large body of Cossacks, who at once proceeded to disarm them, taking away also the ponies, saddles, and kit from the cowardly Manchu policemen.

The Cossacks charged the Manchus with being mounted bandits, or Hunglutes, and the police-men submitted to being disarmed and buffeted about, and flogged at random with the terrible Cossack knotted whips, without a murmur or attempt to resent their rough treatment. Had the true Hunglutes been met by these Cossacks, the latter would really have thought thrice before, attempting to maltreat these noted bandits, who on the other hand would be the last to submit to disarmament, even when surrounded by a superior force. The lawless qualities of these Manchu policemen were a sufficient guarantee to the Russians that they were the Tartar-General Tseng Chi's "braves," and no other. These brave policemen were at the time of writing still held under guard by the Russians, in spite of Tseng Chi's abject prayers that his "braves" should be released and their arms (quick-firing carbines) and kit returned to them—"at the Russian officer's early convenience." The letter further goes on to state that "under instructions" from the Russian General commanding at Mukden and vicinity, the Tartar-General Tseng Chi has issued a proclamation to the people that wherever the Russians are encamped Chinese are commanded to abstain from looking at their camps or approaching them, under pain of being shot.

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WEIHAIWEI.

In view of the daily expected fall of Port Arthur political circles are advised that Great Britain is on the point of concluding negotiations with China for the occupation in perpetuity of Weihaiwei. The exact nature of the reported transaction is not definitely stated, but it is thought that it will take the form either of purchase of the port and hinterland or their acquisition by a ninety-nine-year lease, renewable for ever by the terms of the British tenure. Weihaiwei reverts to China the minute the Russian occupation of Port Arthur and the Liaotung peninsula ceases. That Lord Lansdowne, who will be compelled to deal with the situation will do his utmost to prevent the British evacuation of the port is considered certain.

THE JAPANESE SOLDIER AND THE GIRL.

A pretty story is told of a soldier and a little girl. A short time ago, near Sabaya Railway Station in Fukui prefecture, a private was about to buy cigarettes when he found he had no small change. Noticing his hesitancy, and perhaps under the impression that he had no money, a girl of twelve years, who had watched the soldier closely, pulled out a little purse in which were her savings, 15 sen, and offered the amount to the warrior. The soldier bought his cigarettes with the unselfish gift of the girl, and then he returned the purse to her, saying he had no use for it, immediately afterwards going to his train. On returning home the little girl opened her purse unwittingly, and discovered to her astonishment a one-yen note, accompanying a short and pleasant note of appreciation from the soldier.—*Kobe Chronicle.*

HANNIBAL REDIVIVUS.

The authorities of the Kiench'ing valley have been having a lot of trouble with the so-called "Lolos" of south-west Szechuan. According to a *N.C. Daily News* correspondent in the north, soldiers were sent to punish these tribes and in the first fight the tribes were badly beaten. Then one of the tribesmen thought of a plan. A lot of frogs were gathered together and torched to their horns. These were driven in the direction of the Chinese camp at night. The celestials fell into the snare and advanced to meet the foe with the courage befitting victory. The hillmen in the meantime got round to the rear of the Chinese troops and inflicted a severe defeat on them, killing several hundred. Can any of these brave warriors have read the story of Hannibal's campaign in Campania, or does history unconsciously repeat itself wherever there are brave hearts defending hearth and home?

BRIGANDAGE IN SHANGHAI DISTRICT.

A raid by banditti, numbering over thirty men, fully armed with carbines, revolvers and swords occurred on Friday night (12th inst.) at a place called Ch'enchiato, a few miles west of Jessfield and in the vicinity of the Sun God temple. The banditti broke into a wealthy cotton yard house, called Yih Chang-tai, and compelled the inmates to give up nearly \$2,000 which had been brought from Shanghai to pay for raw cotton purchased the day before from the cotton growers in that vicinity. It is surmised that some of the banditti in Shanghai learned of the destination of the treasure informed their fellow banditti with the above result. Besides the money the banditti carried off several hundred dollars' worth of clothing, watches and jewellery. The country people living near the cotton yard house tried to call the attention of two gun, or guard, boats lying a short way down the Soochow Creek, by beating gongs, but the crew strangely paid no attention to them, allowing the robbers to leave the place unmolested. On the same night a family living in the same western district, at the western end of Taku Road, was also visited by armed desperadoes, who carried off a quantity of jewellery and clothes. They are suspected of belonging to the same band who have been noted above.—*N.C. Daily News.*

ANTI-JAPANESE MANIFESTO IN COREA.

The following is one of the manifestoes being circulated in Corea by the "Association to Preserve Peace."

We respectfully call attention to the fact that our country (Corea) is confronted by a demand of the Japanese for its hills, forests, streams, lakes, unoccupied and waste lands. This fact is already known to the people. If we ask, our territory is lost to us, how about our standing as an Empire? If our Empire is lost to us, how about our people, where will they be? On this account our fraternity, including the great and the small, has formed itself into an association to resist these demands. The hyolaws, etc., were not yet fully drawn up when yesterday at noon, two unknown Japanese broke up a meeting, saying they were sent from the Legation with orders to arrest our leaders. Into the crowded square they came with violence, firing off their revolvers, and in the tumult that followed they carried away our chairman and we know not where he is. Also brethren, will you put up with this sort of thing? Will you sit by quietly at such a time? If you regard this with indifference to-day and to-morrow, it will not be a question of our land but our people themselves will be but fish and flesh, and there be no help for it. For this reason let the few members left us stop on after our leader, and to-day, at 10 a.m., hold another meeting. All you brethren who have the spirit of life in you come, and give vent to your loyal anger. Let us meet, and if but the ten thousand weaklings (hairs) join forces, and the ten thousand horses (

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From the 1st of September, until this change is made the fog-signal on the present Kiutao Lightvessel will consist of a Gong sounded every 15 seconds.

E. G. MYHRE,

Acting Deputy Coast Inspector.

Imperial Maritime Customs,

Coast Inspector's Office,

Shanghai, 15th August, 1904. [2057]

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Hongkong, 23rd August, 1904. [1409]

TO LET**TO LET.**GODOWN No. 6, NEW PRAYA, Kennedy Town.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO. LTD.
Hongkong, 29th July, 1904. [1846]**TO LET.**

FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED.

TWO ROOMS in Wyndham Street.
Apply to—
X. X. X., Care of Daily Press Office,
Hongkong 10th August, 1904. [1990]**TO LET.**EUROPEAN HOUSES, Nos. 2 to 15, Gap Road, Morrison Hill, thoroughly cleansed and colour-washed; in flats or whole.
Apply to—
**CHAN SHAU U., or
A. STEVENSON, Agent for Lessee,
Care of The Pharmacy,****房業大法中**No. 50, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 12th August, 1904. [1960]**TO LET.**NO. 8, UPPER WEST TERRACE. Immediate possession.
Apply to—
L. K. F., National Bank of China Ltd.
Hongkong, 3rd August, 1904. [1909]**TO LET.**A LARGE OFFICE on Ground Floor, of No. 2, Wyndham Street. Possession 1st August, 1904.
Apply to—
THE SECRETARY, The Bowring Club Ltd.
Hongkong, 14th July, 1904. [1710]**TO LET.**NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE, the Peak.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO. LTD.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [885]**TO LET.**ONE OFFICE ROOM on Second Floor, Prince's Buildings.
Apply to—
REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO.
Hongkong, 20th August, 1904. [2036]**TO LET.**ROOMS or OFFICES on the First Floor of 34, Queen's Road Central.
Apply to—
YEE SANG FAT. At the Above Address.
Hongkong, 15th August, 1904. [1981]**TO LET****TO LET.**NO. 6, UPPER MOSQUE TERRACE, European residence commanding fine view of the Harbour; Water and Gas laid on Possession from 1st August, 1904.
Apply to—
G. J. SEQUEIRA, Care of A. R. Marti.
Hongkong, 23rd July, 1904. [1908]**TO LET.**THE EYRIE (PEAK).
BELLIOS TERRACE, Nos. 10, 13 & 21, No. 3, SEYMOUR TERRACE (Furnished), "BANGOUR" (PEAK) from 1st August, No. 2, COLLEGiate GARDENS, from early in November, 1904.
Apply to—
LINSTEAD & DAVIS.
Hongkong, 5th August, 1904. [1429]**TO LET.**NO. 11, MOSQUE JUNCTION. Full View of Harbour.
No. 52, HOLLYWOOD ROAD.
And others to suit various requirements.
S. A. SETH.
Land and Estate Broker.
The Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 19th July, 1904. [17]**TO LET.**THREE FIRST-CLASS SHOPS, European Style, in Kowloon. Possession on or about 31st August, 1904. Moderate Rentals.
No. 6, GRANVILLE AVENUE, Kowloon. Immediate possession. Moderate rental.
No. 10, AUSTIN AVENUE, Kowloon. Immediate possession. Moderate Rental.
Apply to—
HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE CO. LTD.
Hongkong, 21st June, 1904. [1611]**HONGKONG CLUB.****TO LET.**A SUITE of TWO ROOMS, on the Ground Floor of the Annex, suitable for Offices. For particulars apply to the undersigned.
C. H. GRACE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 4th June, 1904. [1417]**TO LET.**NO. 8, ICE HOUSE STREET, just vacated by the proprietors of "Waverley Hotel." The premises are now being thoroughly repaired, painted, and colour-washed, and are admirably suited for a First-Class Hotel. There are 17 large and well ventilated Rooms, several of which could be sub-divided.
For further particulars, apply to—
LINSTEAD & DAVIS.
Hongkong, 29th July, 1904. [1841]**TO LET.**NOS. 15, 17 & 19, SEYMOUR ROAD.
Nos. 6 & 8, CASTLE ROAD.
Nos. 74, CAINE ROAD.
Apply to—
COMPRADEORE DEPARTMENT, Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Hongkong, 18th July, 1904. [1430]**TO LET.**1ST and 2ND FLOORS, No. 38, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, suitable for Office.
Apply to—
THE YEE WO.
No. 36, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1904. [1311]**TO LET.**A EUROPEAN HOUSE, No. 158, Praya East, Four Rooms and Kitchen, Servants' Quarters, Bathrooms. Hot and Cold Water. Good Sea View.
Apply to—
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
Hongkong, 8th August, 1904. [1717]**TO LET.**IMMEDIATE Possession, ONE ROOM, Top Floor of Prince's Buildings, suitable for Office.
Apply to—
S. J. DAVID & CO.
Hongkong, 2nd July, 1904. [1618]**TO LET.**3RD FLOOR, suitable for Office.
Apply to—
WING CHEONG, 35, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 3rd June, 1904. [74]**TO LET.**JARLGE AIRY ROOMS in Offices Building in British Concession, Canton. For particulars, apply to—
P. O. BOX 22, Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 17th June, 1904. [1507]**TO LET.**NOS. 2 and 4, OLD BAILEY (6 Roomed Houses).
No. 16, HOLLYWOOD ROAD (8 Roomed) with Kitchens, Bathrooms, and Servants' Quarters).OFFICES in course of erection, CONNAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE PIER).
GODOWNS; PRAYA EAST.

No. 1, CLIFTON GARDENS. Conduit Road.

OFFICES in Nos. 10 & 16, DES VOEUX ROAD, Central.

Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO. LTD.
Hongkong, 29th June, 1904. [175]**TO LET.**TWO ROOMS on the First Floor of Alexandra Buildings.
Apply to—
SECRETARY.
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited.
Hongkong, 17th June, 1904. [1515]**THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY LIMITED.**

The report of the Board of Directors to be presented at the ordinary meeting of shareholders, to be held at the Company's Hotel, at noon, on Saturday next, the 27th August, is as follows:—

Gentlemen.—The directors now beg to submit their report for the half-year ended the 30th June, 1904.

ACCOUNTS.

The profit on working account amounted to \$95,077.67, as compared with \$132,016.17 for the corresponding period of 1903, being a decrease of \$36,938.50.

The profit and loss account, including the sum of \$3,161.60 brought forward from 31st December, 1903, shows a credit balance of \$88,876.11, which your directors propose to apportion as follows:—

To pay a dividend of 10 per cent. \$60,000.00

To write off from value of furniture and fixtures 7,207.49

To transfer to repairs and renewals account 10,000.00

To carry forward to new account 11,638.65

\$88,876.14

ELECTRIC LIGHT.

The installation was completed last February, and has given satisfaction.

DIRECTORS.

Mr. W. H. Potts retires by rotation, but offers himself for re-election. Mr. W. Parfitt has been granted twelve months' leave of absence.

AUDIT.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. H. U. Jeffries and A. R. Lowe, who offer themselves for re-election.

THE ACCOUNTS.

The accounts are as follows:—

BALANCE-SHEET.

30th June, 1904.

LIABILITIES.

Capital \$12,000 shares at \$50 each (fully paid up) 600,000.00

1,600 mortgage debentures (6 per cent.) authorized issue at \$500 each 300,000.00

Loss 37 do, held by the company 185,500.00

Reserve Fund, as per last account 313,501.00

Unpaid dividends 100,000.00

Special reserve fund against installation of electric light, as per last account 20,000.00

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (current account) 66,898.99

Repairs and renewals account, balanced as per statement 1,824.73

Profit and loss account, balance as per statement 88,876.14

\$1,222,828.23

ASSETS.

Value of land and buildings, as per last account:

Marine lot No. 5 and remaining portion of marine lot No. 3 \$372,015.66

Remaining portion of Marine Lot No. 7 368,108.29

740,123.89

Praya reclamation—cost of land \$21,291.74

New building on reclamation, payments on account 104,415.94

215,707.71

Cost of three Chinese houses on sections B C D of Island lot No. 80 33,000.00

Value of furniture and fixtures as per last account 1,200.00

Less written off, as recommended in last report 10,000.00

\$36,881.37

Since added 324.12

67,207.49

Installation of electric light, payments on account 45,831.26

Stock of Tinned, crockery and glassware, &c., as per inventory 19,602.95

Value of wines, provisions, household supplies and stationery, as per inventories 3,762.00

Shares in public companies, as per last account 6,265.00

Fire insurance attaching to half-year ending 31st December, 1904 2,352.27

License attaching to half-year ending 31st December, 1904 1,512.18

Value of steam launch as per last account \$8,000.00

Less written off, as recommended in last report 1,000.00

7,000.00

21,940.76

Bank overdrafts, Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (unclaimed dividends account) 5,401.00

Cash in hand 268.41

\$22,228.23

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

For the six months ending 30th June, 1904.

Dr. To bad debts and refunds \$1,12

To Crown rent 592.41

To rates 3,07.64

To fire insurance 2,238.89

To debenture interest on \$500.00 at 3 per cent 15,000.00

To less returned on debentures held by the company 5,703.77

9,256.23

3,268.38

3,300.00

Total sum to be appropriated as follows:

To pay a dividend of 10 per cent. \$60,000.00

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

AUCHENARDEN, British str., 3,592, Bryce, 22nd August.—Moji 15th August, Coal.—M. B. Kalish.
BORNEO, German str., 2,165, E. Muhle, 23rd August.—Sandakan 19th August, Timber and General—Melchers & Co.
CHANAY, British str., 2,563, W. E. Steele, 22nd August.—Yokohama 14th August, General—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
ECCLESIA, British str., 2,388, A. M. Dorward, 23rd August.—Philadelphia, U.S.A., 29th June, Petroleum.—Order.
HALLAN, French str., 377, L. Andersen, 23rd August.—Pahkoh 19th August and Hullow 21st, General.—A. R. Marly.
HOHNSTEIN, German str., 1,375, H. Hamer, 22d August.—Saigon 17th August, Rice and Flour.—Order.
OSCAR II, Norwegian str., 2,000, R. Olson, 23rd August.—Kutchinotzu 16th Aug., Coal—M. B. Knisha.
ROSARIO, British steamer, 980, Vivian, 23rd August.—Swatow 22nd August.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HONGKONG MASTER'S OFFICE.

Ecclesia, British str., for Nagasaki.
Forness, British str., for Shanghai.
Loerters, British str., for Saigon.
Mausang, British str., for Sandakan.
Ocampo, British str., for Kobe.
Orange, British str., for Bangkok.
Raemor, British str., for Kwai-chai.
Triton, German str., for Swatow.

DEPARTURES.

23rd August.
ANGLE-AUSTRALIAN, British str., for Calcutta.
HAIRLOONG, British str., for Tamsui.
HAIMUN, British str., for Swatow.
HINSANG, British str., for Kolo.
KWANGHUA, Chinese str., for Canton.
LOWTHER CASTLE, British str., for Manila.
MATILDE, German str., for Tzarne.
TAMING, British str., for Manila.
TOURANE, French str., for Europe.
Woo-sung, British str., for Canton.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

33rd August.

ABEDDEEN DOCKS.—Chandos.
KOW LOON DOCKS.—U. S. S. Pathfinder,
Shanghai, H.M.S. Leviathan, Ithaca, Changsha, Daowong, Tsin-tau, Shawmut, Kow Loon, Haikou.

COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—Shawmut, Crowley.

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS—POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.
THE Company's Steamship.

ERNEST SIMONS.
Captain Bourdon, will be despatched for the above ports on or about WEDNESDAY, the 24th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
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Hongkong, 18th August, 1904.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI, MOJI AND KOBE.
THE Steamship

EASTERN.
Captain W. G. McArthur, will be despatched above TO-MORROW, the 25th inst., at Noon. This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Steward and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the Steamers of the Company have electric lights in staterooms.

For Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 24th August, 1904. [266]

BRITISH-INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY, STRAITS AND RANGOON.
THE Company's Steamship

PUNDUA.
will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 25th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th August, 1904. [2018]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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THE Steamship

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Captain G. M. Montford, R.N.R. carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay, etc., on SATURDAY, the 27th AUGUST, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's s.s. "Mo'davia," 9,000 tons, from Colombo. Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. "Victoria," due in London on the 9th October.

Parcel will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 15th August, 1904. [1]

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THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS IN CHINA AND JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with IND-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Co.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
General Agents for China and Japan.
Hongkong, 4th August, 1897.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VEHICLE'S NAME	FLAG	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	CORONADEL	Brit. str.	G. M. Montford	P. & O. S. N. Co.	27th inst., at Noon.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PERUS	Brit. str.	S. Burcham	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	30th inst.
LONDON ANTWERP	JAVA	Brit. str.	Thomson	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 2nd Sept.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP	BERYLICH	Brit. str.	GIBR. LIVINGSTON & CO.	About 7th Sept.	
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP	GAUCUS	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	13th Sept.	
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP	TIDEUS	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	27th Sept.	
MARSEILLE & LONDON, VIA S'PORE, &c.	BAHALONG	Brit. str.	H. G. Roberts	26th inst., D'light.	
MARSEILLE, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	MINCHE	Fren. str.	Mourad	6th Sept., at 1 P.M.	
MARSEILLE, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	GRISNAU	Fren. str.	H. Bleeker	14th Inst., Noon.	
MARSEILLE, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	SPESIA	Ger. str.	Minzlaif	30th inst.	
MARSEILLE, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	ANALUSIA	Ger. str.	Filzer	11th Sept.	
MARSEILLE, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	Lüning	20th Sept.	
MARSEILLE, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	SONDIA	Ger. str.	Brahm	18th Oct.	
MARSEILLE, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	SUVIA	Ger. str.	von Dohren	1st Nov.	
MARSEILLE, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	BRIGAVIA	Ger. str.	Schulke	7th Sept.	
MARSEILLE, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	MIONETHSHE	Brit. str.	G. C. Candy	12th Sept.	
DURBAN, NATAL	LOTHIAN	Brit. str.	J. C. Williamson	13th Sept.	
DURBAN, NATAL	NIPPON	Brit. str.	Mistorige	23rd inst., P.M.	
DURBAN, NATAL	LEMURUS	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	22nd Sept.	
DURBAN, NATAL	L.CASTLE	Brit. str.	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	Quick despatch.	
DURBAN, NATAL	ERDM	Brit. str.	SEWAN, TOME & CO.	About 3rd Sept.	
DURBAN, NATAL	HUDSON	Brit. str.	STANDARD OIL CO.	About 13th Sept.	
DURBAN, NATAL	E OF INDIA	Brit. str.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	To-day.	
DURBAN, NATAL	ATHENIAN	Brit. str.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	12th Oct.	
DURBAN, NATAL	SHAWMUT	Brit. str.	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	31st inst.	
DURBAN, NATAL	THEMACHUS	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	7th Sept.	
DURBAN, NATAL	ARABIA	Brit. str.	PORTLAND & ASIATIC CO.	25th inst.	
DURBAN, NATAL	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	13th Sept.	
DURBAN, NATAL	EASTERN	Brit. str.	GIBR. LIVINGSTON & CO.	17th Sept., Noon.	
DURBAN, NATAL	FORMOSA	Brit. str.	P. & O. S. N. CO.	To-day, at 10 A.M.	
DURBAN, NATAL	KANSU	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	To-morrow, Noon.	
DURBAN, NATAL	EASTERN	Brit. str.	A. Thompson	About 24th inst.	
DURBAN, NATAL	E SIMONS	Brit. str.	P. & O. S. N. CO.	About 25th inst.	
DURBAN, NATAL	CHUBAN	Brit. str.	SEWAN, TOME & CO.	26th inst., 3 P.M.	
DURBAN, NATAL	LOONGMOON	Brit. str.	SIEMENS & CO.	29th inst.	
DURBAN, NATAL	WOODS	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	To-morrow.	
DURBAN, NATAL	PINDA	Brit. str.	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	31st inst., 10 A.M.	
DURBAN, NATAL	TRIUMPH	Jap. str.	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	29th inst., 10 A.M.	
DURBAN, NATAL	FRITHJOF	Jap. str.	T. Brandt	4th Sept., 10 A.M.	
DURBAN, NATAL	M. STRUVE	Jap. str.	H. Kraft	To-day, at 10 A.M.	
DURBAN, NATAL	TRITOS	Jap. str.	Douglas Lapaine & Co.	To-morrow, 1 P.M.	
DURBAN, NATAL	HITAN	Brit. str.	W. M. Smith	Quick despatch.	
DURBAN, NATAL	SHAWMUT	Brit. str.	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	26th inst., 4 P.M.	
DURBAN, NATAL	LOONGSAM	Brit. str.	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	27th inst., 10 A.M.	
DURBAN, NATAL	ZITROS	Brit. str.	SEWAN, TOME & CO.	10th Sept., 10 A.M.	
DURBAN, NATAL	REIL	Brit. str.	SEWAN, TOME & CO.	12th Sept., 10 A.M.	
DURBAN, NATAL	STURG	Brit. str.	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	26th inst., 3 P.M.	

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Queen's BUILDINGS,
Hongkong, 24th August, 1904.

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SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

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"H. KRAFT"	SUNDAY, 28th Aug., at 10 A.M.
"ERTEFO"	WEDNESDAY, 31st Aug., at 10 A.M.
"H. A. HABALSEN"	WEDNESDAY, 1st Sept., at 10 A.M.
"TRIUMPH"	WEDNESDAY, 4th Sept., at 10 A.M.
"A. HANSEN"	WEDNESDAY, 11th Sept., at 10 A.M.
"M. STRUVE"	SUNDAY, 4th Sept., at 10 A.M.
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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL... "ANTENOR" ... On 2nd September.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL... "TELEMACHUS" ... On 4th September.

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LONDON, AMSTERDAM and "PELEUS" ... On 30th August.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM and "GLAUCUS" ... On 13th September.
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VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and "TELEMACHUS" ... On 7th September.
all PACIFIC COAST PORTS ...
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Hongkong, 17th August, 1904.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO.
LIMITED.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL
CHEFOO, WEIHAIWEI and "KANSU" ... On 26th August.
TIENTSIEN "WOOHSUNG" ... On 29th August.

SHANGHAI PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY
ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, * "CHANGSHA" ... On 13th September.
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Hongkong, 24th August, 1904.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.
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(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL

SINGAPORE and SOURABAYA ... "SUISANG" ... Friday, 26th Aug., 3 P.M.
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GENERAL MANAGERS.

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Hongkong, 24th August, 1904.

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HONGKONG DIRECT, OR VIA TAKU OR CHIN-WAN-TAO TO DURBAN, NATAL.

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S.S. "CRANLEY" ... Captain W. E. Steele.
S.S. "IKBAL" ... Captain A. Jennings.
S.S. "ASCOT" ... Captain C. E. Cox.
S.S. "TWEEDDALE" ... Captain T. M. Milne.
S.S. "LOTHIAN" ... Captain J. C. Williamson.

The next departure will be the S.S. "LOTHIAN," sailing from here on or about 5th September (taking cargo for Durban, East London, Port Elizabeth, and Cape Town).

For Freight, apply to—

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
AGENTS.

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Hongkong, 19th August, 1904.



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT), Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, CALCUTTA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ and PORT SAID.

(Taking cargo at through routes to the BRAZILS to SOUTH AFRICA, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS), THE Company's Steamship

"NIPPON."

Captain Mistorigo, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 31st inst., 2 P.M.

For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to—

SANDER, WIELER & CO., Agents.

Princes Building.

Hongkong, 2nd August, 1904. [134]

"SHIRE" LINE STEAMSHIP CO.

FOR HAVRE, LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Company's Steamship

"MERIONETHSHIRE."

Captain G. C. Cundy, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 7th September.

This steamer has superior accommodation for Saloon passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to—

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 11th August, 1904. [135]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK SUEZ VIA CANAL THE Steamship

"EPSOM" Captain J. Cox, will be despatched for the above port on or about SATURDAY, the 3rd September, to be followed by the Steamship,

"CLAVEBURN" on or about TUESDAY, the 16th October.

For Freight, apply to—

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 24th August, 1904. [136]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT—POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS.

LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX; ALSO PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 6th September, 1904, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "MANCHE," Captain Monnard, with Mail, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via Ports of Call, transhipping Passengers and Cargo at Saigon to s.s. "Polynesian."

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON only on Monday, the 5th September. Specie and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day.

No Cargo will be received on board on Tuesday.

Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 24th August, 1904. [137]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.

THE Steamship

"EASTERN" Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the above ports on SATURDAY, the 17th September, at NOON.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, &c., &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the Steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to—

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th August, 1904. [138]

AMOY ENGINEERING CO., LTD. AMOY CALL FLAG E.

REPAIR WORK to Steamers and Launches. Castings in Brass and Iron. Moderate charges. Work solicited.

J. D. EDWARDS, Manager.

Amoy, 3rd December, 1903. [150]

"THE EAST OF ASIA." (Published Quarterly.)

CONTAINING Articles of Special Interest, Profusely Illustrated, descriptive of the people, Customs, &c., of the Far East.

The kindly Press criticism, both Continental and American, that the production of this Magazine has evoked is eloquent testimony of its sterling merit of the publication.

This vessel brings on Cargo—

From London, &c., ex s.s. Persia.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 1 P.M., TO-DAY, the 22nd Inst.

Goods cleared by the 28th Inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 22nd August, 1904. [139]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING," having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once, at Consignee's risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after 2 P.M., of the 25th instant, will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their Goods from alongside, such Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASOON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd August, 1904. [140]

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNNEES.

STEAMSHIP "SHAWMUT,"

FROM SEATTLE, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd August, 1904. [141]

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNNEES

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED,

AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNNEES per Company's Steamer

"IDOMENEUS,"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both cases it will lie at Consignee's risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 20th inst.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 25th inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 28th inst., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

22 Picture Postcards posted at this office without any address may be claimed at the end Letter Office.

The *Brace Snipes* with the French mail of the 22nd instant, left Saigon on Sunday, the 21st inst., at 9 a.m., and may be expected here-to-day. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 18th June.

The *Chastea*, with the English Mail of 20th July, left Singapore on Saturday, the 20th inst., at 3 p.m., and may be expected here-to-morrow. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 28th June.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR

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DATE

Canton		Wednesday, 24th.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama		7:30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Fuzhou		9:00 A.M.
Bangkok		9:00 A.M.
		10:00 A.M.

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA AND VANCOUVER (B.C.)		Wednesday, 24th.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
		10:45 A.M.)

Macao		Letters 11:00 A.M.
Hollow and Haiphong		
Canton		Wednesday, 24th. 1:15 P.M.
Nantao		Wednesday, 24th. 5:00 P.M.
Sansibar		Wednesday, 24th. 5:00 P.M.
Macao		Wednesday, 24th. 5:00 P.M.
Amoy-Straits and Rangoon		Wednesday, 24th. 5:00 P.M.
Kongmou, Kunchuk and Samshui		Wednesday, 24th. 5:00 P.M.
Moji		Thursday, 25th. 7:30 A.M.
Canton		Thursday, 25th. 11:00 A.M.
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe		Thursday, 25th. 11:00 A.M.
Bangkok		Thursday, 25th. NOON
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		Thursday, 25th. 1:15 P.M.
Macao		Thursday, 25th. 4:00 P.M.
Saigon		Thursday, 25th. 4:00 P.M.
Sanishui, Shihsing, Takking and Wuchow		Thursday, 25th. 4:00 P.M.
Kongmou and Kunchuk		Thursday, 25th. 4:00 P.M.
Canton		Thursday, 25th. 5:00 P.M.
Nantao		Thursday, 25th. 5:00 P.M.
Sansibar		Thursday, 25th. 5:00 P.M.
Macao		Thursday, 25th. 5:00 P.M.
Cantou		Friday, 26th. 7:30 A.M.
Shanghai		Friday, 26th. 2:00 P.M.
Singapore and Sourabaya		Friday, 26th. 3:00 P.M.
Malta		Friday, 26th. 4:00 P.M.
Chafao, Weihaiwei and Tien-tsin		Friday, 26th. 5:00 P.M.
Cantou		Friday, 26th. 5:00 P.M.
Nambo		Friday, 26th. 5:00 P.M.
Sansibar		Friday, 26th. 5:00 P.M.
Macao		Friday, 26th. 5:00 P.M.
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Cantou		Saturday, 27th. 7:30 A.M.
Manila		Saturday, 27th. 9:00 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Tuticorin		Saturday, 27th.
(Letters 11:00 to 11:30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail)		

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TO-DAY.

Sale, Wines, &c., Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes and Hough, 11 a.m.

Sale, British screw steamer *Hoiching*, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes and Hough, 3 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

23rd August.

ON LONDON.— Telegraphic Transfer 100 Bank Bills, on demand 191 Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 191 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 191 Credits, at 4 months' sight 110 Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 101

ON PARIS.— Bank Bills, on demand 221 Credits, at 4 months' sight 231

ON GERMANY.— On demand 185

ON NEW YORK.— Bank Bills, on demand 44 Credits, 60 days' sight 44

ON SOMALY.— Telegraphic Transfer 134

Bank, on demand 135

ON CALCUTTA.— Telegraphic Transfer 134

Bank, on demand 135

ON SHANGHAI.— Bank at sight 71 Private, 90 days' sight 72

ON YOKOHAMA.— On demand 583

ON MANILA.— On demand— Pesos 583

ON SINGAPORE.— On demand— Nominal

ON BATAVIA.— On demand 108

ON HAIPHONG.— On demand 1:10 p.m.

ON SAIGON.— On demand 1:10 p.m.

ON BANGKOK.— On demand 613

SOVEREIGN, Bank's Buying Rate \$11.00

GOLD LIAR, 100 fine, per tael \$58.00

BAR SILVER, per oz. 261

OPIUM.

23rd August.

Quotations are— Allow 10s. to 1 catty.

Malwa New \$1080 to \$1100 per picul

Malwa Old \$1150 to \$1180 "

Malwa Older \$1250 to \$1280 "

Malwa V. Old \$1300 to \$1350 "

Persian fine quality \$100 "

Persian extra fine \$925 "

Pata New \$1185 to — per picul.

Pata Old \$5 to — "

Banaras New \$1155 to — "

Banaras Old \$1170 to — "

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M.M. steamer *Ernest Simon* left Saigon on Sunday, the 21st August, at 9 a.m., for this port, and is due here-to-day.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. steamer *Chusan* left Singapore for this port on the 20th August at 3 p.m., and is due here-to-morrow at about 6 a.m.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. steamer *Mongolia* left Nagasaki for Manila Aug. 22nd, will arrive there Aug. 26th, due here on the 29th August.

The T.K.K. steamer *America Maru* leaves Yokohama for this port via Kobe, &c., on the morning of the 24th August.

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Printed Matter and Samples		10:00 A.M.
Registration		10:00 A.M.
(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10:45 A.M.)		
Letters		11:00 A.M.
		Wednesday, 24th.

Hankow		Wednesday, 24th. 1:15 P.M.
Fernosa		Wednesday, 24th. 5:00 P.M.
Tilos		Wednesday, 24th. 5:00 P.M.
Samson		Wednesday, 24th. 5:00 P.M.
		Wednesday, 24th.

Empress of India		Wednesday, 24th.
		Wednesday, 24th.

Hengshan		Wednesday, 24th. 5:00 P.M.
Carl Diederichsen		Wednesday, 24th. 5:00 P.M.
Powen		Wednesday, 24th. 5:00 P.M.
Taichin		Wednesday, 24th. 5:00 P.M.
Hoifoo		Wednesday, 24th. 5:00 P.M.
Wingchau	</td	